## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-13 and 18-20 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend the claims as follows:

- 1-13. (Canceled)
- 14. (Currently Amended) A woven/non-woven fabric, comprising:

a plurality of waste threads of a natural fiber forming a web of a predetermined weight, wherein a consistency and <u>a</u> rigidity of the web are provided by a <del>liquid</del> <u>purified water</u> spray at high pressure and subsequent removal of moisture using high temperature, and

wherein said plurality of waste threads comprises fibers having a substantially uniform length.

15. (Currently Amended) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprises fibers comprise a length in a range of length between about 8 mm to about 18 mm, and

wherein a weight of said web of waste threads is not less than about 35 grams per square meter.

16. (Original) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise a by-product of a spinning process.

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17. (Original) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise pure cotton.

18-20. (Canceled)

- 21. (New) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a length in a range of between about 8 mm to about 18 mm.
- 22. (New) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise non-allergenic natural fiber.
- 23. (New) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a thickness of not greater than 4.5 micronaire.
- 24. (New) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein the fabric comprises a high absorption capacity.
- 25. (New) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 24, wherein said absorption capacity is in a range of about 15 times to about 16 times a weight of the fabric.
- 26. (New) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers are bound in a horizontal direction and a transversal direction.

27. (New) A woven/non-woven fabric, comprising:

a plurality of threads of a fiber forming a web,

wherein said plurality of threads comprises fibers having a substantially uniform length.

28. (New) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 1, wherein said web comprises a thickness in a range from 1mm to 10mm.